

**Minutes of the Board of Assessors
Meeting of May 26, 2005**

A meeting of the Board of Assessors was held on Thursday, May 26, 2005 in Room 208 at City Hall. Chair, Marylou Blaisdell, called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

Members Present

Marylou Blaisdell Dominic D'Antoni

Assessing Staff Present

Jeanne Dunfey Robert Lakeman Cheryl Walley

Minutes of the Meeting:

MOTION BY Marylou Blaisdell to accept the minutes of the meeting held May 12, 2005.

SECONDED BY Dominic D'Antoni.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Abatement Requests Presented:

See attached printout for approvals/denials.

The Board members referred to the 2004 abatement filed by The Youth Council (Acct. #21678). The Board noted the abatement was received on March 9, 2005 which was after the State's deadline of March 1 for filing abatements. After a brief discussion, the Board made the following motion:

MOTION BY Marylou Blaisdell to deny the 2004 abatement filed by The Youth Council due to untimely filing.

SECONDED BY Dominic D'Antoni.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The Board discussed tax warrants and asked that Assessing Department staff initiate communication with the Tax Collector's Office regarding such. The Board then signed the tax warrant for 2005.

Jeanne Dunfey, Supervisor, Data Management/Customer Service referred to the information the Board had received regarding several new charitable exemption applications filed for 2005 for the following properties:

<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Property Owner</u>	<u>Property Location</u>
43698	MP Housing	11 Blackstone Drive, U-1112
43764	MP Housing	17 Blackstone Drive, U-1733
36768	MP Housing	2 Strawberry Bank Road, U-13
47011	MP Housing	5 Knightsbridge Drive, U-303
47040	MP Housing	6 Knightsbridge Drive, U-J308
46776	MP Housing	2 Rodean Drive, U-A308
17324	Harbor Homes	24 Mulberry Street
21200	Upper Room Compassionate Ministries	36 Tolles Street
31968	So. NH Med.	16 Prospect Street
32096	So. NH Med.	286/288 Main Street

The Board had reviewed this information and applications submitted by these organizations and after a brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION BY Marylou Blaisdell to approve the 2005 charitable exemption applications for the aforementioned properties.

MOTION SECONDED BY Dominic D'Antoni.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Appointments: 5:00 – Mr. Theodore Sullivan, 14 Metropolitan Avenue, regarding 2004 abatement filed on land accounts at 7 & 9 Overhill Avenue (Accts #32602 and 32600)

Mr. Sullivan arrived at 5:17 PM and was asked to speak at 5:20. Chairwoman Marylou Blaisdell advised Mr. Sullivan they have reviewed all the material submitted with the abatement and at this time would like Mr. Sullivan to speak on the material submitted. After apologizing for his tardiness, Mr. Sullivan said he is representing his mother who is the owner of the subject properties, which abut his property at 14 Metropolitan Avenue. He referred to the topographical map and said there is at least a 20' slope to the land. These lots are not buildable because they are land-locked and because of the slope, you cannot get anything in there. They flood during heavy rains and he said basically it is a backyard. Chairwoman Blaisdell clarified that Mr. Sullivan's position is because they are not buildable they are not assessed fairly. Mr. Sullivan agreed. Dominic D'Antoni asked about the flooding problem. Mr. Sullivan said that Dan Bergeron put in a culvert and the pipe on the other side is way too slow. He advised that there have been numerous people out there and there is nothing that can be done about it. He said that he doesn't know if the assessed value of the property is based these lots being buildable. Chairwoman Blaisdell advised Mr. Sullivan that the assessor who has looked at these lots has since left the employ of the City of Nashua so we are going to have another assessor inspect the property before the assessor makes a recommendation. Mr. Sullivan advised that Ms. Weir had told him that if the lots were merged for 2005 the assessment would drop to \$23,000, but the deadline to merge them was April 1, 2005. He said he was told this after April 1. We will have someone go out in the next thirty days and take a look at it. He explained the developer had to turn the road to have room to put up another house. Board member, Dominic D'Antoni asked if there are municipal services on Metropolitan Avenue. Mr. Sullivan said yes there is. Dominic D'Antoni then said that if desired an easement could be gotten to extend the utilities underground across these two lots. Mr. Sullivan said he doesn't think the sewer would run deep enough because of the severity of the slope. Commercial Appraiser Robert Lakeman advised he will go out to the property, inspect it and make his recommendation at a later date. Mr. Sullivan thanked the Board and left the meeting.

MOTION BY Marylou Blaisdell to adjourn at 5:25 PM.

SECONDED BY Dominic D'Antoni.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Transcribed by Cheryl Walley, Department Coordinator